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STATE FOR ECA/PE/V/G/N-ALICE SHIFFLETT; SA/PD

E.O. 12958: N/A

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SUBJECT: FY-2004 S/RP "WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,
APRIL 5-23, 2004: SRI LANKAN NOMINATION
PROJECT NUMBER: E/VP-2004-0021

REF: (A) ASHIFFLETT/BALOHOF E-MAIL OF 1/12/04;

(B)STATE 079531

1. POST NOMINATES MR. RAJINDRA DE S. ARIYABANDU,
DIRECTOR, POLICY AND PLANNING, WATER RESOURCES
SECRETARIAT FOR PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT PROJECT. POST

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CONFIRMS THAT THIS NOMINATION HAS "FULL COUNTRY TEAM
APPROVAL."

2. NOMINATION IS AS FOLLOWS:
START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):
: THE FOLLOWING DATA IS IN A FIXED FORMAT WHICH ENABLES
: AUTOMATED PROCESSING IN WASHINGTON AND SHOULD NOT BE
: EDITED EXCEPT BY MEANS OF THE POST-EVDB SOFTWARE.

EXPORT-SOURCE: POST-EVDB
VERSION: 3.0.7
POST-EMAIL: RSCMB@PD.STATE.GOV
TRANSMITTING-POST: PAS COLOMBO
TRANSMITTING-POST-ID: 2929
EXPORT-TYPE: BIO DATA
START NOMINATION:
ECA-OFFICE: E/VGN
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:
POST-PROJ-ID: 109
ECA-PROJ-NO: 2004-0021
PROJ-NAME: WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT - APRIL 5-23, 2004
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:
PROJ-TYPE: REGIONAL
PROG-TYPE: IV GRANT VISITOR
FY: 2004
DEPART-POST: 04/02/2004
SESSION-DATE: 04/05/2004
RETURN-POST: 04/25/2004
NO-OF-PART: 1
RANK-ORDER: 1
START MEMO POST-OBJ:
THIS NOMINATION IS IN SUPPORT OF MPP GOAL "ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT."
END MEMO POST-OBJ:
START MEMO POST-RCMD:

END MEMO POST-RCMD:
ECA-OFFICE-ID: 1039
PROG-AGENCY-ID:
PROJ-TYPE-ID: RP
PROG-TYPE-ID: 29
NOMINATING-POST-ID: 2929
FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:
STATUS: N
ORIGINATOR: U
SUBJ-DISC: BIOTECHNOLOGY
START BIO:
PREFIX: MR.
F-NAME: RAJINDRA
M-NAME: DE SILVA
L-NAME: ARIYABANDU
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 114
PRINCIPAL?: YES
M-ADDR1: WATER RESOURCES SECRETARIAT
M-ADDR2: BMICH 2-125
M-ADDR3: BAUDDHALOKA MAWATHA
M-CITY: COLOMBO 7
M-STATE:
M-CNTRY: SRI LANKA
M-ZONE:
M-ZIP:
M-PHONE: (94-11) 482-7160
M-FAX: (94-11) 471-8259
M-EMAIL: WRSRDS@SLTNET.LK
M-CNTRY-ID: CE
M-ADDRTYPE: B
GENDER: M
DOB: 06/01/1955

MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: COLOMBO
BIRTH-CNTRY: SRI LANKA
CITIZ-CNTRY: SRI LANKA
RES-CNTRY: SRI LANKA
START MEMO POSITION:
DIRECTOR, POLICY AND PLANNING, WATER RESOURCES
SECRETARIAT, 2002- TO DATE

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END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
HEAD OF IRRIGATION AND WATER MANAGEMENT DIVISION AND
AGRARIAN RELATIONS, AGRARIAN RESEARCH AND TRAINING
INSTITUTE (ARTI), 1994-2001
ACTING HEAD, TRAINING DIVISION, ARTI, 1997-98
ACTING HEAD, STATISTICS AND DATA PROCESSING DIVISION,
ARTI, 1994-95
RESEARCH AND TRAINING OFFICER, ARTI, 1983-93
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
EXTENSIVE TRAVEL IN THE REGION FOR RESEARCH,
CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS. TRAVELED IN THE CONTINENT
ALSO FOR SOME SEMINARS. LIMITED TRAVEL TO THE AFRICAN
CONTINENT.

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
M.SC. AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING (ATI BANGKOK)
B.SC. (HON) AGRICULTURE (PUNJAB AGRICULTURAL
UNIVERSITY)

END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
MEMBER, INTERNATIONAL WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
'VARIETY OF WATER HARVESTING' - PAPER PUBLISHED IN
MAKING WATER EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS - NEW DELHI 2001
'STATUS OF WATER RESOURCES AND RAINWATER HARVESTING IN
SRI LANKA' - PUBLISHED BY THE INTERMEDIATE TECHNOLOGY
DEVELOPMENT GROUP 200
'HARVESTING RAINWATER AS A MEANS OF WATER SECURITY IN
RURAL SRI LANKA' - PUBLISHED IN NEW DELHI
'DEVELOPING RAINWATER HARVESTING FOR DOMESTIC USE IN
RURAL SRI LANKA' - ASIA PACIFIC JOURNAL OF RURAL
DEVELOPMENT - DHAKA 1999
'MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF PARTICIPATORY IRRIGATION
MANAGEMENT POLICY' - PUBLISHED BY IWMI/ARTI 1997
'AGRO WELL SYSTEMS, A SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVE TO DRY
ZONE FARMING: INDIVIDUAL VS GROUP MANAGED AGRO WELLS IN
OPERATION - IWMI 1992
MULTIPLE USES OF WATER - PROCEEDINGS 11TH INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE, RAINWATER SYSTEMS ASSOCIATION, MANNHEIM,
GERMANY 2001

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

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FIRST-LANG: SINHALA
ENGL-READ: 4
ENGL-SPEAK: 4
ENGL-COMP: 4
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
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DEVELOPMENT."
END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: TERESA MANLOWE
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
MR. ARIYABANDU IS ONE OF THE KEY WATER RESOURCES
EXPERTS IN SRI LANKA. HE HAS MANY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE
IN WATER MANAGEMENT. CURRENTLY, HE IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED
IN DRAFTING NEW LEGISLATION (WATER RESOURCES BILL) AND
SETTING UP THE WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY. WHEN THE
BILL IS PASSED, A NEW WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY (WRA)
WILL BE INSTALLED. THE WRA WILL BE THE APEX BODY FOR
WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT.
SINCE MR. ARIYABANDU HAS HAD NO EXPOSURE TO THE U.S.
THIS PROJECT WILL PROVIDE HIM THE ADDITIONAL KNOWLEDGE
WHICH WOULD HELP HIM TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES BETTER.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: ECON/COMM
SPEAKER?: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA?: NO
HOME-STAY: YES
HOME-HOSP?: YES
E-I-TYPE:
NOMINEE-ID: 146
PERSON-ID: 149
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: CE
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: CE
RES-CNTRY-ID: CE
FIRST-LANG-ID: SI
E-I-TYPE-ID:
NOM-POST-ID: 2929
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:
NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 1
DS2019-SUBJECT: 40.0605
SPONS-FUNDS: 0
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1: DOS
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 8000
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
END NOMINATION:
END FIXED-FORMAT TEXT:

13. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOMINATION.
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